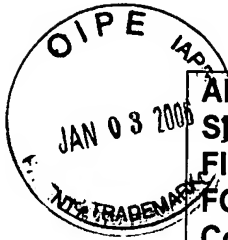


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Cover for a Tanker

GAU: 3617
EXAMINER: R.J. McCarry, Jr.
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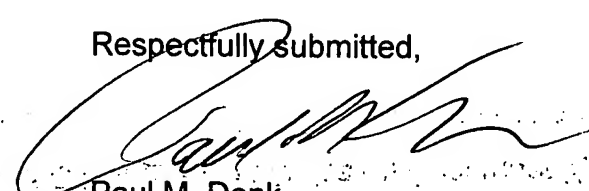
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This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

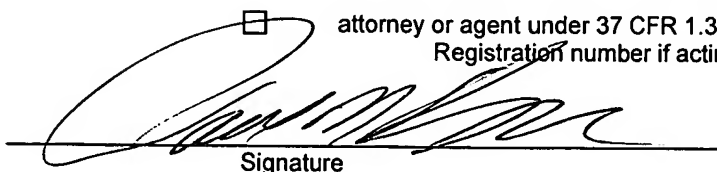
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